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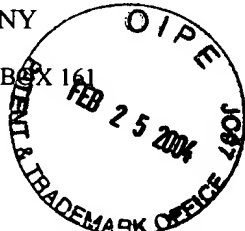
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TITLE OF INVENTION: ABSORBENT MATERIALS HAVING IMPROVED STRUCTURAL STABILITY IN DRY AND WET STATES AND MAKING METHODS THEREFOR

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